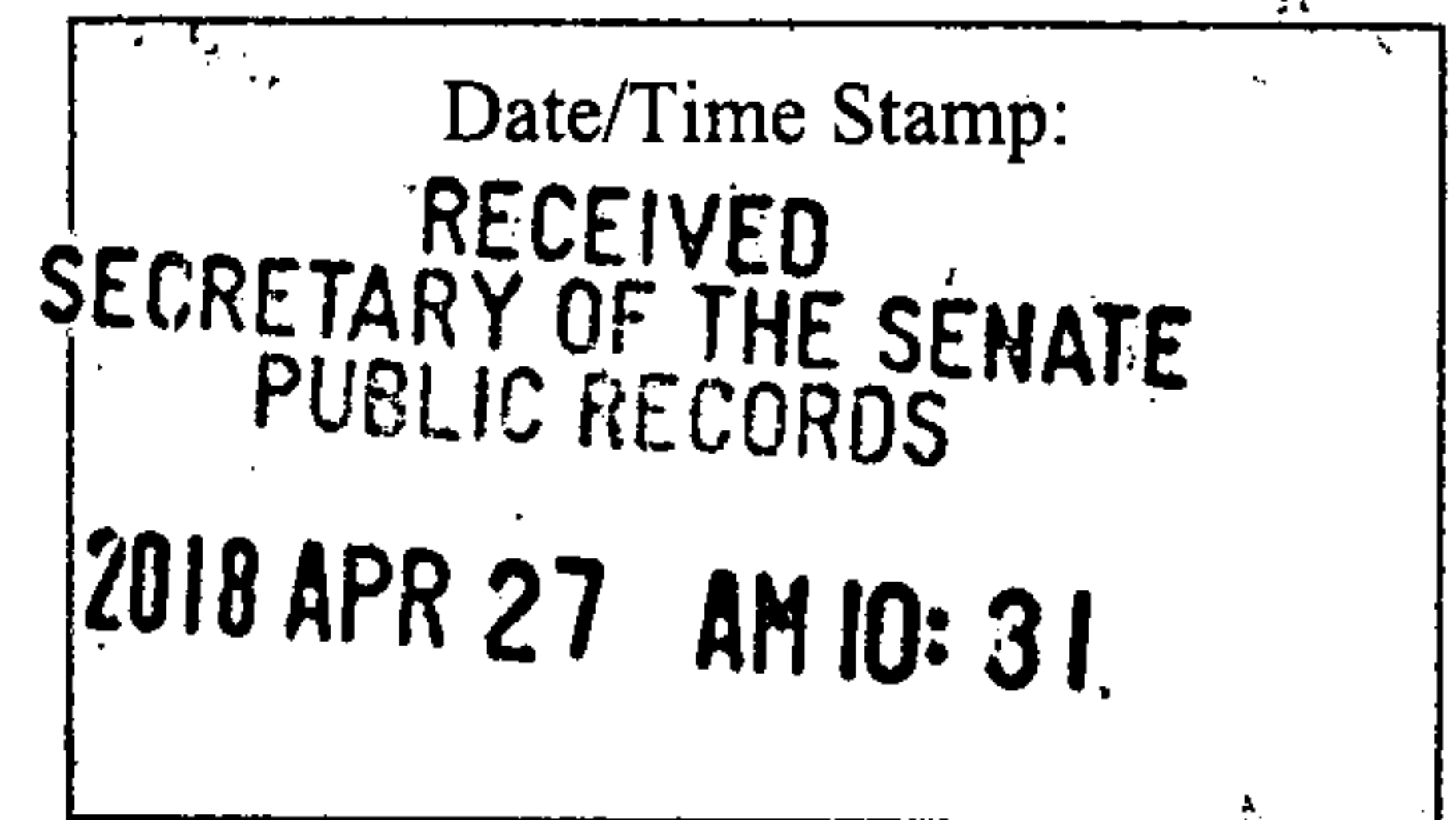


Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses



Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the **Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.**

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☒ The **original** *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), **AND**
☒ A **copy** of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): United Nations Foundation

Travel date(s): March 24 - March 31, 2018

Name of accompanying family member (if any): NONE

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	\$6,229.03	\$1,420	\$533	\$331 (Liberia and Cote d'Ivoire visas)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate				
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.): See attached agenda

4/26/18
(Date)

Ryan K Evans
(Printed name of traveler)

Ryan K Evans
(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

4/26/18
(Date)

[Signature]
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)



Peacekeeping Learning Trip to Liberia & Cote d'Ivoire
March 24 – 31, 2018

*****All Times Local*****

Monrovia/Abidjan +4 hours from Washington, D.C.

Saturday, March 24 --- Travel

Attire: Casual.

2:50pm Arrive at Dulles International Airport (IAD), check-in for flight
5:50pm Depart IAD via Brussels 516

Sunday, March 25 --- Travel/Monrovia

Attire: Casual.

7:25am Arrive Brussels International Airport (BRU)
12:10pm Depart BRU via Brussels 241
7:05pm Arrive Monrovia Roberts International Airport (ROB)
Transfer to hotel, check-in
Room service dinner
Overnight Mamba Point Hotel
United Nations Drive
Monrovia, Liberia
Phone: (+231) 5929292 | (+231) 5939393

Monday, March 26 --- Monrovia

Attire: Business.

7:30am – 8:00am Breakfast
Mamba Point Hotel
8:00am – 8:30am Transfer to UNMIL HQ
8:30am – 9:15am Meeting with Farid Zarif, Special Representative of the Secretary General & UNMIL Leadership to learn about the UN Peacekeeping Mission in Liberia.
UNMIL HQ Pan African Plaza, Tubman Boulevard, 1st Street
9:20am – 10:20am Meeting with UN Country Team (Representatives from the UN Development Programme, UNICEF, UN Population Fund, World Health Organization, and World Food Programme) to learn about the work of UN agencies in support of sustaining peace in Liberia.

UNMIL HQ Pan African Plaza, Tubman Boulevard, 1st Street

10:20am – 11:05am	Transfer to West Point
11:10am – 12:10pm	Visit UNICEF programming which support at risk youth in West Point neighborhood. <i>UNICEF Monrovia Office</i>
12:10pm – 12:40pm	Transfer to World Health Organization (WHO) Office
12:45pm – 1:30pm	Meeting with Liberian healthcare workers and WHO staff to discuss Liberian government's Ebola response and local health infrastructure with CDC and USAID officials. <i>WHO Office</i>
1:30pm – 1:50pm	Transfer to Lila Brown Restaurant
2:00pm – 3:00pm	Lunch <i>Lila Brown Restaurant</i>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Travel to meeting with youth leaders and the Liberian Ministry of Youth
3:30pm – 4:30pm	The UN Peacebuilding Fund supports programs to build capacities of youth leaders involved in peacebuilding, social cohesion in communities, and violence reduction. This program is supported by the UN Peacebuilding Fund and the Liberian Government. <i>Liberia Peacebuilding Office/UN Peacebuilding Fund Secretariat</i>
4:30pm – 5:00pm	Transfer to U.S. Embassy
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Meeting with U.S. Ambassador Christine Elder & U.S. Country Team. This meeting works to highlight U.S. priorities in Liberia. <i>U.S. Embassy</i>
6:00pm – 6:20pm	Transfer to Mamba Point Hotel
6:20pm – 7:00pm	Executive Time
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Dinner with Ambassador Ingrid Wetterqvist, Swedish Ambassador to Liberia and Ambassador Christine Elder, U.S. Ambassador to Liberia (<i>with Ms. Elisabeth Hårleman, Deputy Head of Mission; Ms Elvira Tillerman, PO for Human Security</i>). This dinner discussion will focus on Sweden's role as the Chair of the UN Peacebuilding Commission for Liberia. In addition, the Ambassador Elder will discuss the U.S. – UN partnership in support of Liberia. <i>Mamba Point Hotel</i>
Overnight	Mamba Point Hotel

Tuesday, March 27 -- Monrovia

Attire: Business Casual

6:45am – 7:30am	Breakfast <i>Mamba Point Hotel</i>
7:30am – 8:30am	Travel to Tubmanburg to see UNMIL programs that support governance, justice and peacebuilding. The purpose of this field visit is to show the impact UNMIL in building local capacity, promoting justice, and supporting peacebuilding. <i>Capital of Bomi County, northwest of Monrovia</i>
8:30am – 9:10am	Meet with County Superintendent who will highlight UNMIL's contribution in the region and will guide us during our visit. <i>The County Superintendent is responsible for local governance in Bomi County</i>
9:15am – 9:25am	Transfer to Tubmanburg Central Prison
9:30am – 10:00am	Tour of Corrections Facility with Prison Superintendent. This meeting will highlight UNMIL support in training the corrections officers and the building of the infrastructure.
10:05am – 10:20am	Transfer to Circuit Court
10:30am – 11:00am	Visit Circuit Court and meet with local judges. This meeting will discuss UNMIL support for justice system including training local judges. <i>New premises</i>
11:00am – 11:15am	Transfer to women's center
11:15am – 12:15pm	Meet with local civil society in Bomi County. This meeting will be with traditional leaders and local civil society in the region to discuss the future of Liberia after UNMIL departs at the end of the month.
12:15pm – 1:30pm	Travel back to Monrovia
1:30pm – 2:45pm	Lunch with Americans serving in the UN <i>Golden Beach Restaurant</i>
2:45pm – 3:00pm	Transfer to UNMIL HQ
3:15pm – 4:30pm	Presentation and meeting on Joint Rule of Law Programme <i>With INL Director and Simon Blatchly (tbc)</i>
4:30pm – 4:45pm	Transfer to Mamba Point Hotel

4:45pm – 7:00pm

Executive Time

7:00pm – 9:00pm

Dinner with UNMIL and U.S. Embassy leadership. This dinner is an opportunity to mark the closing of the UNMIL at the end of the mission and will focus on the U.S. – UN partnership in Liberia.
Regazzi Restaurant, Mamba Point Hotel

Overnight

Mamba Point Hotel

Wednesday, March 28 --- Monrovia/Travel/Abidjan

Attire: Business.

7:00am – 7:30am

Breakfast (Bring luggage to the lobby)
Mamba Point Hotel

7:30am – 8:00am

Transfer to Liberia National Police HQ

8:00am – 9:00am

Meeting with the Liberian Police Chief, Mr. Patrick Toe Sudue. The Chief will discuss how the U.S. and UN were critical partners in rebuilding the Liberian National Police force after the conflict.

Liberia National Police HQ

9:00am – 9:30am

Transfer to Executive Mansion

9:30am – 10:30am

Meeting with the President of Liberia, Mr. George Manneh Weah. The purpose of the meeting is to gain a better understanding of the President's priorities and how the U.S. and UN can support his agenda.

Executive Mansion

10:30am – 11:10am

Transfer to Eternal Love Winning Africa (ELWA) Hospital

11:15am – 12:15pm

Tour Elwa Hospital, speak with health care workers and Ebola survivors. This was the site of the largest Ebola Treatment Unit in Liberia during the crisis and the facility continues to operate a clinic for Ebola survivors.

12:15pm – 1:00pm

Transfer to Farmington Hotel

1:00pm – 1:55pm

Lunch at Farmington Hotel

1:55pm – 2:00pm

Transfer to Roberts International Airport, Monrovia (ROB)

4:00pm

Depart Monrovia via Air Cote d'Ivoire HR 751

5:50pm

Arrive Abidjan Port Bouet Airport (ABJ)

6:30pm – 7:00pm

Transfer to Hotel Novotel Abidjan

will highlight how cocoa production in Cote d' Ivoire contributes to the U.S. economy and American jobs.

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2:00pm – 2:30pm	Transfer to site visit UNDP & Peacebuilding Fund Programs
2:30pm – 3:30pm	A year after peacekeepers have left, the UNDP and UN Peacebuilding Fund continue to promote the gains of the mission by supporting programs like the gender desk at the local police stations. Gender desks work to address sexual gender based violence and are a resource for victims. The delegation will meet with UN and local police officers about the work of the gender desk.
3:30pm – 4:15pm	Transfer to African Development Bank <i>ADB Office</i>
4:15pm – 5:00pm	The meeting with African Development Bank leadership will discuss its work to spur sustainable economic development and social progress in Africa, thus contributing to all 16 of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. Specifically, this meeting will discuss how ADB is working to support economic growth in Cote d' Ivoire and reduce poverty in the country.
5:00pm – 5:30pm	Transfer to U.S. Embassy
5:30pm – 7:00pm	Reception with U.S. Embassy
7:15pm – 7:30pm	Transfer to dinner
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Dinner <i>Hotel Novotel Abidjan</i>
Overnight	Hotel Novotel Abidjan

Friday, March 30 --- Abidjan/Travel

Attire: Business.

7:00am – 7:45am	Breakfast <i>Hotel Novotel Abidjan</i>
8:00am – 8:30am	Transfer to site visit
8:30am – 10:00am	USAID site visit – The Côte d'Ivoire Resources towards Elimination of Child Vulnerability Activity is a five-year activity valued at over \$40 million that provides orphans and vulnerable children (OVC), persons living with HIV (PLHIV) and adolescent girls with the resources and support they need, while strengthening the capacity of families and community networks to ensure the well-being of their most vulnerable members

10:15am – 10:45am	Transfer to Executive Office of the President
11:00am – 12:00pm	H.E. Mr. Patrick Achi, Secretary General of the Presidency, to discuss the priorities of the Cote d' Ivoire and how the U.S. and UN can support their agenda.
12:00p,m – 1:00pm	Mr. Fidèle Sarassoro, Chief of Staff to the President of the Republic
1:00pm – 1:30pm	Transfer to lunch briefing
1:30pm – 2:45pm	Lunch with with Salimata Porquet, REPSFECO, a women's civil society organization that supports various peacebuilding initiatives and was critical in engaging women and youth during the elections.
3:00pm – 3:15pm	Travel to West African Network for Peacebuilding
3:15pm – 4:15pm	Meet with West African Network for Peacebuilding – Cote d' Ivoire. This is a meeting with local youth leaders working on peacebuilding.
4:15pm – 4:45pm	Transfer to Hotel Novotel Abidjan
4:45pm – 5:45pm	Executive Time
5:45pm – 6:00pm	Bring luggage to lobby
6:00pm	Depart for airport (ABJ)
8:00pm	Informal debrief and lessons learned
10:00pm	Depart Abidjan (ABJ) via Brussels 286

Saturday, March 31 --- Travel

6:40am	Arrive BRU
10:15am	Depart BRU via Brussels 515
12:55pm	Arrive IAD

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List of Senate Attendees:

**Ryan Evans, Foreign Policy Advisor
Sen. Johnny Isakson**

**Will Scheffer, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen**

Ryan Doherty, Policy Advisor
Sen. Chris Coons

Oumou Ly, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Charles Schumer



United States Senate

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

March 20, 2018

Ryan K. Evans
Office of Senator Johnny Isakson
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Ms. Evans:

This responds to your recent correspondence concerning an invitation you received to travel on a learning trip to Monrovia, Liberia and Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, on March 24-31, 2018, sponsored by the United Nations Foundation. The United Nations Foundation certified to the Select Committee on Ethics (the Committee) that it will pay the *necessary expenses*¹ related to the travel and that it is neither a lobbyist, nor lobbying firm, nor agent of a foreign principal, and it is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government. The United Nations Foundation has also certified that it does not retain or employ a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal and that no registered lobbyist will accompany you at *any point throughout your trip*.²

Based on information and materials available to the Committee, and assuming the **actual** travel and travel-related expenses conform to the information and materials you provided, it appears that the proposed payment or reimbursement of necessary expenses for this trip **may be accepted** under relevant Senate Rules and the Committee's *Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel*, so long as at the time of the payment or reimbursement, the United Nations Foundation is neither a registered lobbyist nor lobbying firm under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, nor an agent of a foreign principal under the Foreign Agents Registration Act (and is not otherwise acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government), and provided the travel and all required documents are disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate in accordance with the provisions of Senate Rules 34 and 35.

Under Senate Rule 35, Senate staff must receive advance authorization signed by the Member or officer under whose direct supervision the individual works in order to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary expenses related to fact-finding travel. Further, such authorization and expenses must be disclosed to the Secretary of the Senate by filing the completed *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* and the *Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses* (Form RE-1 and Form RE-2), along with a copy of the *Private Sponsor Travel*

¹ The term "necessary expenses" has a specific definition. See *Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel – Glossary of Terms* at 8.

² The term "any point throughout your trip" has a specific definition. See *Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel – Glossary of Terms* at 2.

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Certification Form, and all relevant attachments (e.g., the private sponsor's invitation and itinerary) **within 30 days of the conclusion of Privately-Sponsored Travel**.

The Committee has determined that § 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations that are classified as private foundations, as opposed to public charities, may not pay for transportation from the United States to a foreign country.³ However, the United Nations Foundation represented to the Committee that it is a § 501(c)(3) public charity, as opposed to a private foundation, pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code.⁴

Please be advised that the United States Constitution prohibits the acceptance of any gift, including a meal, from a foreign government without the consent of Congress. In the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), Congress consented to the acceptance by federal government officials of: (1) gifts of minimal value and (2) travel or the expenses for travel taking place entirely outside the United States, from a foreign government (which includes those acting as a representative or agent of a foreign government).⁵ The Senate has defined minimal value as \$100 or less. Further, pursuant to FGDA, there are certain reporting and procedural requirements that are imposed upon Members, officers, and employees who accept gifts from a foreign government. Please review the Committee's "Dear Colleague" letter of January 16, 2018, setting forth the items to be included in filing that report.

Finally, Senate Rule 34 requires a reporting individual,⁶ on his or her Financial Disclosure Report, to make an annual disclosure of the receipt of payments or reimbursements under Senate Rule 35 from a private sponsor for officially-related travel expenses where, in the aggregate, travel expenses exceed \$390 from that sponsor during a calendar year. However, if a Member, officer, or employee properly reports the receipt of necessary expenses for such travel to the Secretary of the Senate within 30 days of the travel, as discussed above, the travel expenses need not be disclosed a second time on their Financial Disclosure Report.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Committee.

Sincerely,



Deborah Sue Mayer
Chief Counsel and Staff Director

Enclosure: Travel Checklist

³ See 26 U.S.C. § 4941 et seq. Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code broadly defines non-profit, charitable, tax-exempt organizations. These § 501(c)(3) organizations are then further defined or designated as "public charities" and "private foundations."

⁴ 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3).

⁵ 5 U.S.C. § 7342.

⁶ A reporting individual is someone whose salary equals or exceeds 120% of the basic rate of pay for GS-15 (\$126,148 for CY 2018) or is a political fund designee and is required to file Financial Disclosure Reports.

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Date/Time Stamp:

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics** in **SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will **not** be considered or approved. This form **must** be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler: Ryan K. Evans

Employing Office/Committee: Sen. Johnny Isakson

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): United Nations Foundation

Travel date(s): March 24-March 31

*Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you **must** notify the Committee.*

Destination(s): Monrovia, Liberia and Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

As Sen. Isakson's Foreign Policy Advisor, I manage the issues and oversight related to the senator's assignment on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Given that committee assignment and his participation on the Subcommittee on African Affairs, this trip will give me the opportunity to perform oversight on issues within the committee's purview.

Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A

Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:

2/14/18
(Date)

Ryan K Evans
(Signature of Employee)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):

I, Sen. Isakson hereby authorize Ryan Evans
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☒

2/14/18
(Date)

[Signature]
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

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1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): United Nations Foundation
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2. Description of the trip: Please see attached.
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3. Dates of travel: Saturday, March 24 - Saturday, March 31, 2018
4. Place of travel: Monrovia, Liberia and Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire
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5. Name and title of Senate invitees: Please see attached.
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6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:
- ☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.
- OR**
- ☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- AND**
- ☐ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I *certify* that:
- ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.
- AND**
- ☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

UNF regularly hosts/sponsors Capitol Hill briefings, forums, and related events to educate policymakers; businesses, NGOs, and the general public on the UN's role in advancing American interests abroad.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate	\$5,404	\$852	\$529	\$216 (visa fees)
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts				

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

This trip involves an event that is arranged specifically WITH regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

Please see attached.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

Mamba Point Hotel - Sekou Toure Ave, Monrovia, Liberia

Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau - Avenue Lamblin & Rue Colomb Plateau, Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

Favorable price, location, and security concerns.

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21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

Our daily expenses are expected to be on par with the State Department's 2018 per diem rates for both
Monrovia, Liberia (\$95 for M & IE and \$200 for lodging) and Cote d'Ivoire (\$113 for M & IE and \$226 for
lodging).

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

The delegation will fly business class from Washington Dulles to Monrovia and from Abidjan back to
Washington Dulles. The delegation will fly economy class from Monrovia to Abidjan.

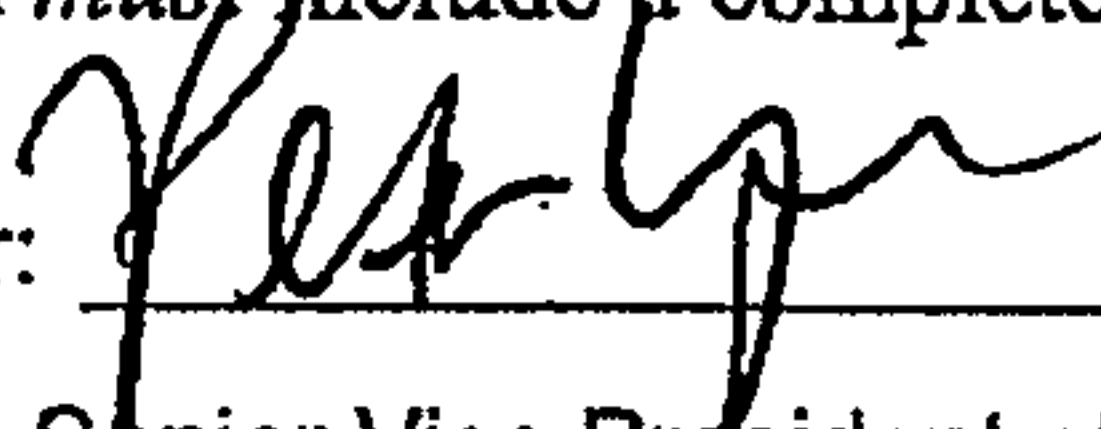
23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

N/A

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you *must* include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor):

Signature of Travel Sponsor:



Name and Title: Peter Yeo, Senior Vice President of Public Policy and Advocacy

Name of Organization: United Nations Foundation

Address: 1750 Pennsylvania Ave NW Suite 300

Telephone Number: 202-887-9040 (please ask for Micah Spangler)

Fax Number: 202-887-9021

E-mail Address: mspangler@unfoundation.org

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UN Foundation Peacekeeping Learning Trip to Liberia and Côte d'Ivoire

Answers to Questions 2, 5, 13, and 18

2. Description of the trip:

The United Nations has played an essential role in helping stabilize and rebuild the Mano River Basin following years of war and volatility. Now, with far-reaching successes in the region, the UN has begun to reduce its peacekeeping footprint in West Africa, providing a rare opportunity for policymakers to examine the lessons learned after more than a decade of international sacrifice and determination.

In Côte d'Ivoire, UNOCI helped broker peace between rebel groups and the government, facilitated the delivery of humanitarian aid, conducted free and fair elections, and facing a torrent of violence following a presidential vote in 2010, honorably protected the country's democratically elected leader. In neighboring Liberia, UNMIL successfully delivered peace to a country in total disarray following years of brutal civil war. Over the lifespan of its mandate, the UN helped rebuild the shattered Liberian government, trained thousands of local police officers, and assisted with the elections that led to the election of Africa's first female head of state. And, in the truest sign yet of the mission's success, Liberia marked a new milestone of stability earlier this month when the country experienced its first peaceful transfer of power since 1944.

This trip will allow participants to see these successes up close and learn more about the UN's transition plan for Liberia and Côte d'Ivoire, including how the U.S. and UN are working together to ensure the two nations have the resources necessary to maintain the progress that's been made.

5. Name and title of Senate invitees:

Ryan Doherty, Policy Advisor
Sen. Chris Coons

Ryan Evans, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Johnny Isakson

Laura Updegrove, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Jeff Merkley

Oumou Ly, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Charles Schumer

Will Scheffer, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen

Amber Bland, Legislative Assistant
Sen. John Barrasso

Colleen Donnelly, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Jeff Flake

Vernon Davis, Legislative Assistant
Sen. Rand Paul

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**Peacekeeping Learning Trip to Liberia & Cote d'Ivoire
March 24 – 31, 2018**

All Times Local

Monrovia/Abidjan +5 hours from Washington, DC

Saturday, March 24 — Travel

Attire: Casual.

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5:50pm Depart IAD via Brussels 516

Sunday, March 25 — Travel/Monrovia

Attire: Casual.

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12:10pm Depart BRU via Brussels 241
7:05pm Arrive Monrovia Roberts International Airport (ROB)
9:00pm – 10:30pm Welcome Dinner with UNMIL Staff
Mamba Point Hotel
Overnight Mamba Point Hotel
United Nations Drive
Monrovia, Liberia
Phone: (+231) 5929292 | (+231) 5939393

Monday, March 26 — Monrovia

Attire: Business.

7:30am – 8:00am Breakfast
Mamba Point Hotel
8:00am – 8:30am Transfer to UNMIL HQ
8:30am – 9:30am Meeting with UN Country Team (Representatives from the UN
Development Programme, UNICEF, UN Population Fund, World
Health Organization, and World Food Programme)
UNMIL HQ Pan African Plaza, Tubman Boulevard, 1st Street
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UNMIL HQ Pan African Plaza, Tubman Boulevard, 1st Street

10:15am – 10:45am	Transfer to U.S. Embassy
10:45am – 11:45am	Meeting with U.S. Ambassador Christine Elder & U.S. Country Team <i>U.S. Embassy</i>
11:45am – 12:00pm	Transfer to Lila Brown Restaurant
12:00pm – 1:15pm	Lunch <i>Lila Brown Restaurant</i>
1:15pm – 1:45pm	Transfer to UNICEF Monrovia Office
1:45pm – 3:00pm	Visit UNICEF program with at risk youth in West Point neighborhood <i>UNICEF Monrovia Office</i>
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Travel to Liberia Peacebuilding Office/UN Peacekeeping Fund Secretariat
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Meeting with youth leaders (program supported by the UN Peacebuilding Fund) <i>Liberia Peacebuilding Office/UN Peacekeeping Fund Secretariat</i>
4:30pm – 5:00pm	Transfer to WHO Office
5:00pm – 6:00pm	Meeting with Liberian healthcare workers and WHO staff, discuss Liberian government's Ebola response and local health infrastructure <i>WHO Office</i>
6:00pm – 6:15pm	Transfer to Mamba Point Hotel
6:15pm – 6:45pm	Executive Time
6:45pm – 7:00pm	Transfer to Royal Grand Hotel
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Dinner with UN Peacebuilding Commission (Swedish Representative) <i>Royal Grand Hotel</i>
9:00pm – 9:15pm	Transfer to Mamba Point Hotel
Overnight	Mamba Point Hotel United Nations Drive Monrovia, Liberia Phone: (+231) 5929292 (+231) 5939393

Tuesday, March 27 -- Monrovia/Abidjan*Attire: Business.*

7:00am – 7:30am	Breakfast (bring luggage to lobby) <i>Mamba Point Hotel</i>
7:30am – 8:00am	Transfer to Liberia National Police HQ
8:00am – 9:00am	Meeting with the Liberian Police Chief, Mr. Patrick Toe Sudue <i>Liberia National Police HQ</i>
9:00am – 9:30am	Transfer to Executive Mansion
9:30am – 11:30am	Meeting with the President of Liberia, Mr. George Manneh Weah <i>Executive Mansion</i>
11:30am – 11:45am	Transfer to USAID project site
11:45am – 12:30pm	Tour USAID project site, meeting with USAID-Liberia staff
12:30pm – 12:45pm	Transfer to The Capital Room
12:45pm – 1:45pm	Lunch <i>The Capital Room</i>
1:45pm – 2:00pm	Transfer to ROB
4:00pm	Depart Monrovia via Air Cote d'Ivoire HR 751
5:50pm	Arrive Abidjan Port Bouet Airport (ABJ)
6:30pm – 7:00pm	Transfer to Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau
7:00pm – 7:30pm	Executive Time
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Dinner event with local NGOs and humanitarian organizations <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
Overnight	Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau Rue Colomb Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire Phone: +225 20 006700

Wednesday, March 28 -- Abidjan*Attire: Business.*

8:00am – 8:30am	Breakfast <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
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8:30am – 9:00am	Transfer to UNICEF Country Office
9:00am – 10:30am	Briefing by UN agencies (Representatives of the UN Development Programme, UN Women, UNICEF, UN Population Fund, UN Refugee Agency, International Organization for Migration, and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations) <i>UNICEF Country Office</i>
10:30am – 11:00am	Transfer to U.S. Embassy
11:00am – 12:30pm	Meet with Katherine Brucker, Chargé d’Affaires, U.S. Embassy in Cote d’Ivoire & Country Team <i>U.S. Embassy</i>
12:30pm – 12:45pm	Transfer to Aboussouan
12:45pm – 1:30pm	Lunch <i>Aboussouan</i>
1:30 – 1:45pm	Transfer to UNDP Office
1:45pm – 4:00pm	Meeting and Site Visits with UNDP Resident Coordinator Visit UNDP supported PBF Programs: A year after peacekeepers have left, the UN Peacebuilding Fund continues to promote the gains of the mission by supporting projects including improving infrastructure in communities and supporting training of security personnel to improve the relationship with the community members.
4:00pm – 4:30pm	Transfer to IMF Office
4:30pm – 6:00pm	Meeting with IMF Resident Representative for Cote d’Ivoire <i>IMF Office</i>
6:00pm – 6:30pm	Transfer to Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau
6:30pm – 7:00pm	Executive Time <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
7:00pm – 9:00pm	Dinner with Peacebuilding Fund Leadership <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
Overnight	Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau Rue Colomb Abidjan, Cote d’Ivoire Phone: +225 20 006700

Thursday, March 29 --- Abidjan*Attire: Business casual.*

6:00am – 6:30am	Breakfast (bring luggage to lobby) <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
6:30am – 7:00am	Briefing by Mars Cote d'Ivoire Team Cote d'Ivoire is the world's largest cocoa producer and the UN has been vital to creating the stability necessary to continue and expand cocoa production in the country – much of which is exported to the U.S. Mars Corporation is working with the UN toward a Sustainable Cocoa Initiative to support small farmers, increase production/local profits, grow the Ivorian economy, and protect the environment. <i>Seen Hotel Abidjan Plateau</i>
7:00am – 10:00am	Transfer to Mars Plantation
10:00am – 1:00pm	Tour Mars cocoa production facilities and meet local Ivorian cocoa farmers
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Lunch <i>Mars Plantation</i>
2:00pm – 5:00pm	Transfer to ABJ
5:15pm	Arrive at ABJ
6:15pm – 7:00pm	Team de-brief and lessons learned <i>Port Bouet Airport</i>
7:45pm	Depart Abidjan (ABJ) via Brussels 290

Friday, March 30 --- Travel*Attire: Casual.*

6:40am	Arrive BRU
10:15am	Depart BRU via Brussels 515
12:55pm	Arrive IAD